

PARAGRAPHIC BRIEFS FROM SANDINAVIA.

The Norwegian-American Steamship line has contracted for two new cargo vessels of 500 tons burden each. They are to be built at Vickers, Canada, and will be fitted with every modern equipment. They will burn oil and are calculated to make 11½ miles with full cargo. The ships are to be delivered so early in the autumn 1920, that they can be chartered in Montreal for Norway before the season ends.

The department of foreign affairs of Norway has been reorganized to meet conditions following the war. A committee of seven has been appointed, three and the chairman by the king and three by the storting. H. Bryn, formerly minister of Norway at Washington is a member of the committee.

Mr. Olaf O. Bernts has been appointed Norwegian consul at Chicago as successor to Consul Herman Gade. He has been acting consul.

Dr. Sam Eyde is Norway's first Minister to Poland. He is an engineer by profession. He was elected member of the house of representatives in 1918, was a member of the Paris delegation and later president of the Norwegian commercial delegation in Poland.

Tormod K. Førlund, an engineer in Haugesund, has taken out a patent for a new method of producing non-carbonaceous molybdenum, extracted in a simple way from molybdenum-chloride at a low temperature. According to his method the metallic molybdenum is extracted by electrolysis from different melted components.

The amalgamation of the molybdenite industry in Norway is under way, sixteen companies having allied themselves with the new organization. The industry suffered during the war when practically all export was shut off. With the return of the steel industry to a stable basis it is expected molybdenite will be in demand.

An important new enterprise is being projected at Moldøen in West-

ern Norway. Experiments are being made in drying split-fish by electrical processes.

Denmark has issued a temporary order forbidding the manufacture of beer containing more than three per cent of alcohol. The shortage of coal and the unfavorable condition of the exchange are given as the reasons for the order. It does not appear a very great hardship, however, to the Dane from this country going over to pay a visit.

The coal shortage in Denmark has caused the government to issue an order fixing the degree of temperature to which churches, theaters, restaurants and public halls may be heated, one wholly unexpected good may result from this order. It may lead to the discovery of a cure for sleeping in church.

Cattle buyers from Switzerland are reported buying heavily in the Danish markets.

Three Copenhagen theaters will dispense with orchestra music next season on account of the renewed demands of the players for higher wages.

THE NORTHLANDS.

Preparations are being made to import oil on a large scale in Denmark to offset the lack of coal. A new oil port is under construction at Nyborg; three petrol tanks of 4,000 cubic meters capacity each are already completed, and four lamp oil tanks are nearly finished. Several large tanks for fuel oil are also to be erected. Large pipe lines will connect these tank installations with oil tankers, for which berths will be provided by a mole about 1,300 feet in length with 30 feet of water on each side. The most up-to-date machinery and equipment is being installed.

Malmö and Gothenburg are to be opened as free ports during the present year, which with Stockholm, opened in 1919, will give Sweden three free ports.

About 70 per cent of the vessels now under construction in Swedish shipyards are being outfitted with oilburning apparatus utilizing the Diesel motor. Swedish railways are also experimenting with oil as fuel in order to reduce the extremely high operating costs. In a recent trial run the cost of the oil burned was said to be only 6 per cent of that of coal.

The Norwegian Red Cross reports that it has sent 100 carloads of food and clothing for the relief of Vienna. The supplies of five of the cars were used in Chemnitz, Saxony, for the relief of the people there. Besides food and garments, 400,000 crowns were contributed. Food was also sent to Archangel, and an effort made to send some to Petrograd. One hundred French babies were provided with layettes by the women of the Norwegian Red Cross, and 2,000 children from Vienna were received in Norway for a stay of four months.

The postoffice department announces that, beginning May 1, parcel post packages weighing not more than 11 pounds and unsealed would be accepted for Switzerland. A transit charge of 10 cents, to be paid in postage stamps affixed to the wrappers in addition to the necessary stamps for postage at 12 cents a pound, is fixed.

The political upheaval in Finland has resulted in the formation of a new ministry by Prof. Erich, leader of the reconstruction party with himself as premier, Engineer Magnus Levonius, minister of transportation and communication, and national Assemblyman, Raatikainen minister of the department relating to the necessities of life.

The government of Norway recently purchased 120,000 tons of

sugar which is estimated sufficient to meet the home requirements for the next two years.

Seventy-five per cent of all foreign exchange in Denmark is to be reserved for imports of necessities. No foreign exchange will be available for importation of coffee, but as large stocks of this commodity are on hand, no rationing is looked for. In fact, stocks of most kinds of foreign products are very large.

The Berlingske Tidende of Copenhagen reports that the Danish financial group in which British concerns are also said to be interested, has arrived at an agreement with Gregory Krasslin, Russian soviet minister of trade and commerce. Trade with soviet Russia will soon be resumed, the dispatch adds.

STEAMSHIP LINE WILL ERECT ITS OWN BUILDING.

The Scandinavian American steamship line, the Danish passenger line that is the pioneer in the direct passenger service between the United States and the Scandinavian countries, announces through the company's general agent in America Halvor Jacobsen, the purchase of a lot 32X54 at Whitehall and Bridge streets in New York on which the erection of a seven-story office building will at once be commenced, to be occupied by the general passenger and freight offices of the company. Architect Axel S. Hedman has drawn the plans which call for the expenditure of \$150,000. The company's general offices for 20 years past has been in the Washington building, one of the old landmarks at the foot of Broadway. This was purchased by the International Mercantile Marine Co., necessitating the move on the part of the Scandinavian American Line. Notwithstanding the high price of building material many New York firms find it cheaper to build than to rent quarters from profiteering landlords.

The Scandinavian American Line now operates four passenger steamships, "Fredrick VIII," "Oscar II," "Hellig Olav," and "United States".

En bekymret Moder. "Jeg har en lille pige, omtrent fire aar gammel, som var meget syg sidste vinter; hun vilde ikke røre føde af noget slags," skriver fru Maria B. Johnson fra Hayes, S. Dak. "Jeg var meget bekymret over hende og vidste knapt hvad jeg skulde gjøre. Jeg besluttede at prøve Dr. Peters Kuriko og gav det til hende regelmæssigt tre gange om dagen. Hun begyndte lige straks at blive bedre. Alt i alt tog hun en flaske af dette middel og er nu saa rask som nogensinde." Dette forklarer atter, hvorfor Kuriko er bleven saa populær som familiemedicin. Moderen kan altid stole paa den for de smaa, daglig forefaldende sygdomme i familien; intet overgaar den; den er ligesaa virkningsfuld for de smaa som for de voksne. Apotekere kan ikke sælge den; specielle lokale agenter leverer den til folk direkte fra fabrikanterens laboratorium, Dr. Peter Fahrney & Sons Co., 2501 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

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